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BEREA COLLEGE CONTROVERSY UP BEFORE THE COURTS

J. G. CARLISLE FOR DEFENSE

Fine Points of Law Brought Out—Fashionable Church Scene of Episode.—Fortune's Manly Courage.—Present for Alice Roosevelt.

Staff Correspondence.

The national spotlight has been focused on Berea College this week. The long-deferred suit to test the constitutionality of the Day law came up in the Kentucky Court of Appeals, and, after a vigorous contest, pro and con, the matter was taken under advisement by the court. The Day law, it will be remembered, was passed about two years ago by the Kentucky Legislature, and was designed specifically to break up the co-education of white and colored students at Berea College. The law, which was fought through by one Day, prohibited the mixing of the races in any State institution, and in order to estop a possible evasion of the statute, at Berea by having the whites and blacks educated separately within the same boundaries, it was further stipulated that an institution for the instruction of colored children must be at least twenty-five miles away from that attended by the whites. For fifty years both races had gotten along amicably at Berea, which was founded for the elevation of the needy, regardless of race, by Mr. John G. Fee, a big-hearted philanthropist from Ohio, and it had been doing an exceptionally valuable work for the regeneration of the race that had been held down by the cruel ban of slavery. Somebody, however, conceived the idea that mixed schools were subversive to white supremacy, and it was urged that a separation of the races at Berea, the only school of the kind in the State, would be to the advantage of the poor whites in the mountain regions of Kentucky. Upon the passage of the bill, the institution was closed to the Negro children, and those already there were farmed out to Fisk and other colored schools, pending the legal test of the law which forced the separation. A bitter fight was inaugurated by President Frost to maintain the institution on its original lines, and he and his associates left little doubt of the sincerity of their efforts to have the rights of the colored children restored to them, contending for every inch of ground with the shrewdest minds at the Bluegrass bar. A noteworthy feature of the trial this week was the appearance of the eminent barrister, Hon. John G. Carlisle, ex-Secretary of the Treasury, ex-Speaker of the National House of Representatives and unrivaled exponent of constitutional law, as counsel for the school. His speech in denunciation of the Day law is said to have been a masterpiece of forensic eloquence, abounding in sound logic and a convincing array of facts that can not but carry great weight for his cause. The court room was crowded with distinguished lawyers and visitors from all over the State, and it is common report that Mr. Carlisle's defense of Berea's violation of the Day law, used to test the validity of the same, was the ablest and most thorough deliverance upon the constitutional rights of individuals and corporations, under the Fourteenth Amendment, ever heard within the confines of the grand old commonwealth.

The case at issue was such an unusual one for Kentucky, and more unusual for a man of Mr. Carlisle's political antecedents, social connections and racial identification to plead, that the masses of both races were all agog to see how he could argue for mixed schools and "square" himself with local prejudices, the intensity of which no man in the land knew better than he. But Mr. Carlisle was equal to the emergency. So adroit and tactful was he in handling the most delicate phases of the unpopular side of the question that criticism was completely disarmed, and there is no evidence that he suffered any diminution of respect at the hands of the most rabid Negro-haters of the district affected. All listened, spell-bound, to his powerful presentation of the law and the facts. The learned counselor dwelt very lightly upon the sentimental and altruistic aspect, and went deeply into the principles underlying our republican form of government, basing the burden of his plea upon the conflict of the Day law with that clause of the Fourteenth Amendment to the Federal Constitution which forbids the enactment of any law by any State abridging the rights, privileges or immunities of any citizen, holding that in this nstance Berea College, as a finite corporation, stood in the position of an individual, and was consequently entitled to the right to govern itself as it chose, within the limits prescribed for persons and their natural privileges. He disclaimed the prevalent notion that the discriminations practiced by railroads and other schools, with State sanction, offered a parallel or precedent, arguing that while the State may legally insist that transportation lines operating under a State franchise shall make separate—and equal—provision for white and colored passengers, and it may at will take the same liberty as to the attendance of students of opposite races in the public schools, maintained by public tax, and in colleges sustained from the general fund, but such a prerogative did not and could not apply to Berea, because, as a private concern, supported wholly by private resources, it became, to all intents and purposes, a private individual or citizen, with all the rights, privileges and immunities thereunto appertaining, and was without the reach of the authority of the State, except with reference to the preservation of peace and order. As a private institution Berea was not amenable to any statutory restrictions that could not be enforced against any private citizen. Its right to regulate its own associations and to mix its students, if it saw fit, was a personal privilege with which the State could not legally interfere. Therefore, he pleaded that the Day law, assuming to enforce the separation of the races at Berea, was an invasion of the inalienable right inhering in a citizen by virtue of the Fourteenth Amendment, and was clearly unconstitutional. The decision of the court has not been handed down at this writing, but the result may have become public ere this reaches the public eye. Whether the court will have the moral courage to stand up for an honest interpretation of the Federal Constitution, against the pressure of local sentiment, remains to be seen. Mr. Carlisle's position is unquestionably sound, and nothing but recourse to a cowardly technicality on the part of the prosecution can prevent the colored students of Berea from regaining their former footing at the historic institution, from which so many able men and women have gone out to battle for a higher and sweeter civilization beneath our common flag. Should the decision of the Kentucky court be adverse to the contention of President Frost and the Day law be upheld, it is understood that the authorities of Berea will immediately take steps to carry the case to the Supreme Court of the United States.

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One of the very ablest and most conscientious writers and journalists of the younger school in this country is Carey B. Lewis, of Louisville, Ky. He is a graduate of the Central High School of the Falls City, and has had as his instructors some of the foremost educators of the progressive Middle West. During the past few years Mr. Lewis has been doing some gilt-edged work for The Freeman, The New York Age and leading Caucasian newspapers in Kentucky, Arkansas, Tennessee and Missouri. He is in close touch with the influential white citizens of Louisville, and has always proven capable and willing to exert himself to advance any movement looking to the uplift of the Afro-American people of the Nation. He believes in "doing things," and doing them at once, in a most thorough manner. Mr. Lewis was largely instrumental in freezing out "The Clansman" last month, in Louisville, through strong articles prepared by him and published in the local Caucasioi press, protesting against the production of Tom Dixon's vile exhibition, and went in person to the Mayor, members of the City Council, Board of Education, ministers and business men, and placed in their hands, at his own expense, copies of Prof. Kelly Miller's magnificent reply to Dixon's strictures against the race, entitled "As to the Leopard's Spots." Mr. Lewis is especially interested in the work of the National Afro-American Council, the National Negro Business League and Tuskegee Institute, and is a stanch supporter of Bishop Walters, Dr. Washington, Dr. Jordan, Mr. Steward and others who are leading the people to higher and better things. Not long ago he was appointed vice-director of the Newspaper Bureau of the Council, for which place he is eminently fitted, and it is likely that he will go in this capacity to the Council's conference at Washington on the 15th, to the Tuskegee Farmers' Conference at Tuskegee on the 21st, and to the Business League meet at Atlanta in August.

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The first of a series of meetings to advance the plan of campaign inaugurated by Congressmen Keifer and Crumpacker to arouse public sentiment in favor of a rigid investigation of suffrage abuses in the South, was held last Thursday evening at Cooper Union, in New York. Impassioned addresses were made by Gen. J. Warren Keifer, Prof. Kelley Miller, ex-Congressman George H. White, Mrs. Mary Church Terrell, A. B. Humphrey and others. Hoots and hisses greeted every mention of Ben Tillman, Gov. Vardaman, Thomas Dixon, Jr., and F. Hopkinson Smith. The meeting was held under the auspices of the Constitution League, and the 3,000 enthusiastic people present remained until the "wee sma' hours" of morning, listening intently to the fiery invective and flood or indignant protest hurled at the heads of the Negro's most blatant foes. Mr. John E. Milholland presided, and most generously paid the expenses of the gathering, as an earnest of his deep interest in the welfare of the Negro. Mrs. Terrell's speech was a scathing arraignment of the lecherous scoundrels of the South who have preyed upon the weak and helpless colored women, and then sent abroad the damnable lie that Negro virtue means. Her eloquent defense women have no conception of what of her sex stirred the audience to a high pitch, and the presiding officer was compelled by the surging tide of enthusiasm to extend her time. Prof. Miller thus anathematized the author of "The Leopard's Spots" and "The Clansman":

"Now comes Thomas Dixon, Jr.," said he, "that frenzied apostle of an evil propaganda, who would deprive the Negro of his rights by holding up the grotesque and repugnant side of his life with hideous portrayal. This shameless apostate priest of God, with undisguised daring, is doing the work of the devil. With Satanic glee he stirs the fire of race wrath and influences the passions of men."

Mass meetings of a similar character are to be held in Philadelphia, Washington, Baltimore and Chicago. Reduction of representation, at which Congressmen Keifer and Crumpacker aim, is not the solution of the problem as viewed by the patriotic Negro, who wants nothing short of an enforcement of the Fifteenth Amendment, and is but a vague and distant possibility, to be resorted to when all other means of redress fail. But, however, if out of the disclosures of Southern infamy there comes an irresistible demand for a reform of the present outrageous conditions, these gatherings will no thave been projected in vain. There must be among all peoples a dynamic force that destroys obstacles to progress and a static force that conserves that which is gained.

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Mr. T. Thomas Fortune was the hero of an exciting episode which occurred at Dr. Madison C. Peters' fashionable Baptist Church of the Epiphany, in New York. The pastor had issued invitations to a number of prominent Afro-Americans of the city to attend a service, at which was to be discussed the question, "What Shall We Do with the Negro?" Thomas Dixon, Jr., to the surprise of many, was there as principal speaker, but whites and blacks, unabashed by his presence, condemned his venomous sophistry without stint. His only support came from a clique of Southerners, who tried to break the disastrous fall given by such eminent thinkers as Dr. R. S. MacArthur, Revs. Granville Hunt, M. W. Gilbert, C. S. Morris and Mr. Fortune. The sensational incident in which the plucky editor of the New York Age so advantageously figured is thus dramatically described in the news columns of his paper:

"It must be remembered that our men were permitted only five minutes each in which to speak. The Rev. E. E. Jackson, of the Zion Baptist Church, however, found five minutes long enough to make an ass of himself. After speaking, he exclaimed in a burst of foolish magnanimity, "After all, we are brothers!" and extended his hand to Dixon, who shook it with gingerly condescension. This gave Mr. Fortune, who happened to be present, his cue, and he arose to speak. He proceeded to denounce Jackson for his servility, and then, turning to Dixon, said, trembling with suppressed emotion:

"I wouldn't shake hands with you! I class you among the vilest and most odious of Americans, with Tillman, Vardaman and Jeff Davis. And you," continued he, turning to the audience, "I am surprised that you whose fathers and brothers and sons died in the civil war to perpetuate the Union, should give your applause to a man like this, whose ancestors fought to destroy the Union, and that applause at the expense of loyal citizens who shed their blood for the country in all its wars. Further, replying to Dixon's plea for the peaceable deportation of the Negro to Africa, "you can't colonize me peaceably. This is my home, and there will be a fight before you move me!"

These strenuous remarks were greeted with tumultuous applause, and it was several minutes before order could be restored. Policemen were stationed in the church, and their services were drawn upon more than once to quell incipient demonstrations. The meeting was not without results. Dixon's notoriety may be making him money, but it is certainly not adding to his peace of mind. And, as the Age puts it, "The Northern people and the Afro-Americans, drawn closer by Dixon's propaganda, were fraternizing in the audience as never before. Thus is good brought out of evil."

Mr. Fortune's manly courage, in

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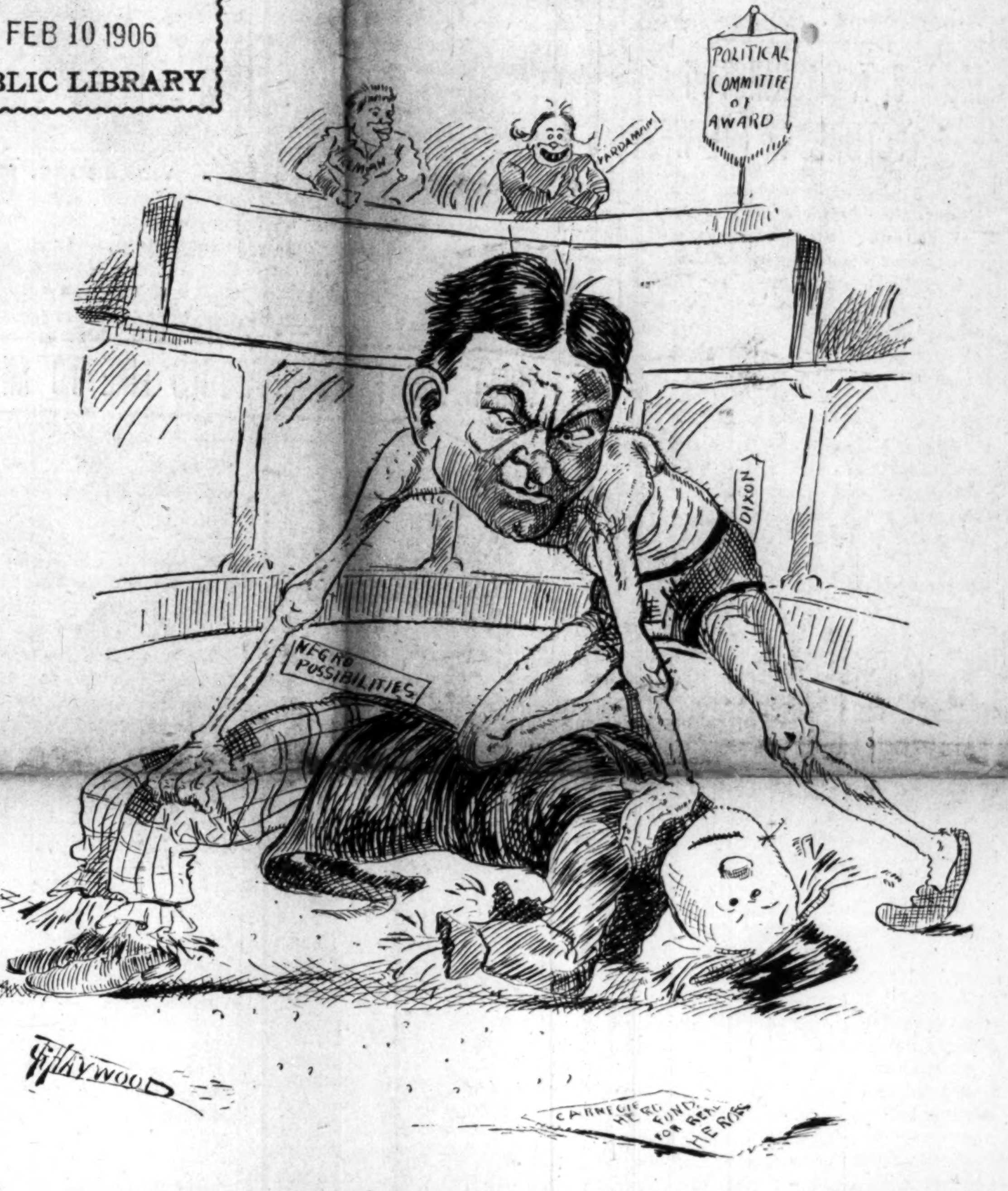
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The Rev. Mr. Dixon's attack upon the future possibilities of the Negro will no doubt be of little consequence to his fame aspiring frame.

WHERE LIES THE BLAME?

INFLUENCE OF GODLESS MEN MAKES CHURCH POWERLESS

THAT "OMNIOUS INDIFFERENCE"

Bishop Smith a Victim.—The Gang Supported.—Bishop Shaffer and Lee Lack in Courage.—Cases Cited.—The "Shouting Bishop."

Editor Johnson of the Christian Endeavor, Jan. 25th says: "It is only in place to demur at the ominous and painful indifference of those who have it largely in their power to remedy the evils alluded to." Of course he refers to the bishops of the A. M. E. church. "Ominous indifference;" yes, this is just what I accuse them of. They know full well that the church is growing powerless, through the blighting influence of a lot of Godless ministers, who drink whiskey, destroy virtue, play the races, loot churches, forge notes, give worthless checks to the dollar money committee to support big reports, etc., etc., etc. And yet, with all this knowledge before them, they are so very indifferent that the men who do these things are never punished, or even lowered in their assignments.

When the Bishops' Council met in Mobile, Ala., the January before the last general conference, they had before them a letter, written by an elder in good standing, informing them that in one city were stationedfwp that in one city there were stationed in the three principal A. M. E. churches two drunkards and a basely immoral man, who had been proven guilty of adultery. The writer stated further that he was ready to furnish the evidence to any committee which the council might appoint to investigate his statements. He not only wrote this letter to the council, but to each of the bishops previous to the session. Now, I admit at once that, technically, the council had no authority in the case, since each bishop is supreme in his own district. But the same council did appoint a bishop to go to New Orleans to look into affairs there, where Bishop Smith was losing some members, who insisted on having a drunkard for their pastor. Bishop Smith had done just what any Christian bishop should have done and the council thougth it awful because he would lose a few members by such action. But this accusation against three pastors in one city was so small a matter that they paid no attention to it. When two of the bishops were accosted about it they said that the majority of the bishops would not stand by the prosecution of those men, and it would not be worth while to undertake it. Each of those men were subsequently transferred to as good appointments as the church contains.

On the other hand, Bishop Smith's fight against drunkards and grafters in Louisiana made him the target of all the malice of that same class of men in the general conference, encouraged by certain shouting bishops, and was the real root of the great fight made upon that prelate at Chicago. The gigantic effort to disrobe Bishop Smith, and which did send him to South Africa, and has not let up on him even there, simply serves notice to every bishop who may think of punishing one of the prominent rascals who disgrace many of our pulpits, that they will have the whole gang to fight if they dare to begin, and that the majority of bishops wil stand with the gang. Many will be surprised at these words, which indirectly endorse Bishop Smith, but the time has come when the truth must be told on friend and foe alike. I never was friendly to the election of Bishop Smith, and I openly opposed his assignment to Louisiana, where I was then stationed. My reasons were honest and my fight was honorable. Personally he and I could not agree while associated together there, nor do we agree now. He condemns my manner of trying to reform the church. But whatever were my objections to his election, I am happy to say that my intimate association with him for the last six years have not supported my fears about him. In all that time I have never had reason to doubt his moral or religious character. I believe that by the grace of God he has triumphed over the faults which once threatened his usefulness, and I am certain that no man on the bench has a stronger desire to set the church right than

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IN THE WOMAN'S WORLD.

BY "DOROTHY."

This column is devoted to the interests of women. Address all communications to the Woman's Department, The Freeman, Indianapolis, Ind.

Be not anxious about tomorrow. Do today's duty, fight today's temptation, and do not weak n and distrust yourself by looking forward to things which you can not see and could not understand if you saw them.

The Rev. Madison C. Peters has discovered that there is inebriety among "society women" and he talked about it at the people's meeting in the Epiphany Baptist church, at New York recently. "The fashion that encourages women inebriates among the society of New York," said Dr. Peters, "presents a deplorable outlook for the future of the republic. The fashionables of this city are establishing a custom which is being followed by millions of American women, to the detriment of the race. Closely observe the goings on in the fashionable drinking places of our city, and nine out of ten women drink habitually, their tipples identical with those of men and the calls as frequent, drinking with men and women, and alone at luncheon, at dinner, at supper and between times, young women and old to say nothing of the drinking in their own home where few except their maids see them.

A London exchange says that brevity and economy in honeymoons are becoming the fashion, Even wealthy people are "showing a tendency to limit the wedding tours to three or four days in Paris." Many go straight to their new homes and stay there.

Miss Henrietta Vinton Davis, the noted elocutionist, of Washington, D. C., has recovered from her prolonged illness, and will shortly resume her tour. She can be addressed at 1219 Lindon Place, N. E., in the national capital.

The Book-Lovers' Club at Washington is composed of the best literary talent among Afro-American women of two continents. Subjects of depth and practical value are discussed at the meetings of the organization. The work for the current year embraces a study of "The principal Religions of the Earth and their Effect Upon Civilization." The first paper of the series was an elaborate treatise on "Confucius and Confucianism" by Mrs. Coralie Franklin Cook. The Book-Lovers' Club has been in existence about twelve years.

It is said that in Australia there is a regular traffic in lending engagement rings.

An effective stock is made of ribbon, drawn around the neck over a foundation crossed in the back, and the two ends brought to the front, where they are fastened by a little silk covered button, set in a frill of cream colored old lace. Any becoming color of ribbon may be used.

MRS. B. T. WASHINGTON LECTURES IN THE WEST

Under the Auspices of Colorado and Utah Clubs the Noted Woman Was Heard.—Many Social Affairs.

At the Shorter Church, at Denver, on the evening of January 15, Mrs. Booker T. Washington, one of the best known women of the race, and an official of the national federation, gave an address to an audience of over five hundred. After the address she was the guest of honor at a dinner given at the Rhine Cafe by former Tuskegee students. Tuesday afternoon she was the guest of the Woman's League at the home of Mrs. Irving Williams at which reception many of the best known workers of the State were present.

In the evening the Book Lover's Club gave a reception in her honor at the home of Mrs. George A. McCullough. The decorations were of blue and gold and books symbolic of the club's purpose were strewn through the parlors. A heart to heart talk was given by Mrs. Washington. The Centennial Mandolin and Guitar Club played during the evening and Mrs. J. H. P. WestBrook at the piano. About 150 guests were present.

Under the auspices of the Woman's Progressive Club at Salt Lake City, Utah. January 22 Mrs. Washington lectured at the Y. M. C. A. auditorium, on "The advancement of Colored Women." Mrs Robert Hill, president of the club made the introduction. Mrs Washington spoke of the different lines of work in which Afro-American women were engaged in; of how many of the white Americans had grown impatient and expected of our race in forty years what it had taken other races a hundred year to accomplish. She also gave the statistics of professional and business women, the increase every year in higher education.

Mrs. Washington also spoke of the many women who are still in need of elevation and said: 'I am here tonight to speak especially for that part of the race to which I belong, the woman, the mother, the one who more than any other is held accountable for the rearing, the honest development of the child, the citizen, the father, and the mother of the coming generations." While in the city Mrs. Washington was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Charles McSwine, at whose residence the club gave an informal reception.

EDUCATIONAL NOTES

The yearly tuition for non-residents in the Colored High School at Louisville, Ky., has been increased from $30 to $35

The superintendent of industries at Western University, Quindaro, Kansas, is Lewis Spurlock, a Tuskegee post-graduate, class '05

Owing to an increase of students, the Curry School at Urbana, Ohio, has secured another private dwelling, making two as temporary quarters for the boys. The Curry School has representatives from seven states and twelve counties in Ohio upon its rolls.

Morris Brown, an institution for the training of colored youths, is having a phenomenal success, with an enrollment of 970 students. The authorities doubtless realize the training most needed for the mass of the race. They hold an educational mass meeting Sunday, January 28th, at the People's Tabernacle, Younge Street, City. Both white and colored friends are urged to be present, to hear the speeches, and note the progress of the Negro race at self help. The president, E. H. Thornton of the Neal Bank, Capitalist Hugh Inman, Drs. Dowman, Lee and other prominent white and colored citizens will speak, R. D. Stinson who has the meeting in charge speaks encouragingly of the outlook, and says he is being encouraged by prominent white citizens.—The Constitution, Atlanta, Ga., January, 26.

NEGRO EDUCATIONAL RALLY.

The educational movement expressed by the mass meeting of Moris Brown College at the People's Tabernacle for Sunday afternoon, is worthy of every encouragement. The men who are behind the movement represent the highest character, the best temper and the wisest policy of the Negro race. They stand for conservatism, law, order and good will between the races. They have put upon their platform many men of high character and influence among the white race. And the trend of the meeting cannot fail to be so good and so profitable that white men may without fail lend it their influence and support.

R. D. Stinson, commissioner of the college, is to Georgia, all and more, than Booker Washington is to Alabama. Bishop Turner, the presiding bishop of the Methodist church, is an active sponsor of the educational view, and the college itself under its president and all its faculty, is an earnest amiable, and admirable institution.

The meeting Sunday evening is designed to advance the education, the morals and the material development of the Negro race. And its motive must commend that meeting to the respectful consideration of the people of Atlanta without regard to color.

Similar meetings have been largely attended and it is believed that this one will be held to standing room only.

Wherever the Negro makes so plain an effort to rise and develop along high lines and after the best methods, he should receive the hearty co-operation of the white man of the South.—The Atlanta News, January, 25.

JACKSON, TENN.

The Baptist Sundayschool is progressing nicely under A. N. McNeece,—Rev. W. J. Waytes has returned from Stanton, Va., where he attended the burial of his mother.—Services in memory of Mrs. Mollie Banks, who died at Trenton, Tenn., in December, were held. Tom Harrison was master of ceremonies. Revs. Waytes, C Moore and H Barnes, and several ladies spoke of the beautiful life and character of the good woman.—Rev. Hawkins, of Cairo, Ill., is conducting a revival out on extention.—Home Dawson, age 55, died January 29. Interment at Mt. Olive Cemetery.—Prof. A. R Merry, principal of the South Jackson Public Schools is doing a good work.—Lane College is nearing completion and the pupils are moving. Prof. J. A. Bray is principal.

MORGANTOWN, W. VA.

C. H. Thomas, who has been ill, is now able to be at his place of business. The A. M. E. revival is meeting with much success, The Rev. C. A. McGhee, of Uniontown, Pa., is assisting Rev. J. A. Patterson. The second quarterly meeting will be held in March.—Benjamin Smith was visiting friends and relatives last week.—J. H. Hunt has sold his rhstaurant business to John Fetters.—Miss Mattie S, Prounty, a teacher in the schools is doing nicely. J. H. Hunt is now in the ice cream, soda and confectionery business.

VICKSBURG, MISS.

The Triangle Club, J. W. Redmond, president gave their first entertainment, February, 1, at Golden Rule's Hall. The chief feature of entertainment was the waltz contest.

WHAT THE FREEMAN WOULD LIKE TO KNOW.

Why not a few Negro bosses in the much bossed Canal Zone?

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Are you taking steps to celebrate the birthday of Frederick Douglass?

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Why is the Washington Bee so fond of the retiring president of Howard University?

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Hasn't Dr. T. Wellington Henderson every reason to feel well satisfied with the situation as it stands.

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Why should an intelligent Negro be an employe when, by energy, thrift and economy, he can become an employer?

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Didn't the Rev. S. Timothy Tice find his attempt to inject the color issue into the A. M. E. bishopric contest a losing game?

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Will Chicago, Louisville and Washington get those projected Negro dailies before the completion of the Panama canal?

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Is Presiding Elder S. Timothy Tice's "health" improving under the influence of the balmy breezes of the Land of Flowers?

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Are you planning to attend the Tuskegee Negro Farmers' Conference announced for the 21st and 22d of February, 1906?

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Is the esteemed Christian Recorder satisfied with Norfolk as the seat of the next General Conference of the A. M. E. Church?

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When does Prof W. E. B. Dubois find time to teach those classes supposed to be under his instruction at Atlanta University?

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Isn't it a "toss-up" as far as the black man is concerned whether the next governor of Georgia is Hoke Smith or lark Howell?

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Wouldn't a hypedermic injection of race loyalty do Editor B. J. Davis and Attorney Henry Lincoln Johnson a mint of good?

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Why cannot this great and glorious government—invincible in everything it undertakes—enforce the fifteenth amendment?

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Is Vardaman clothed in his right mind, or is he merely bluffing when he asserts that education makes the Negro more criminal?

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Wouldn't Editor M. M. Lewey make an admirable successor to Joseph E Lee as collector of internal revenue for the district of Florida?

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Wouldn't ex-Governor P. B. S. Pinchback show up finely as a member of the Philippine Commission, as the successor to Mr. Ide or General Smith?

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Isn't Harry Stillwell Edwards an avowed candidate for Lyon's place as the representative from Georgia on the Republican National Committee?

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Is the editor of a denominational organ allowed to think his own thoughts, or are his opinions handed to him ready made by the connectional councils?

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Was the pace set by the Cleveland Journal so swift for Brother E. W. Crosby's paragraphic "Journalettes" that he concluded to abandon the field?

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Why wouldn't the "Knife and Fork Club" be a fitting title for the erstwhile Pen and Pencil Club of Washington, which finds it necessary to change its name?

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What mild-mannered, even-tempered, diplomatic colored man would like to spend a few years in exile at Jerome B. Peterson's old post, Puerto Cabello, Venezuela?

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Isn't the Alexandria Home News rather too bright a little sheet to find such ecstatic delight in serving as the tail-end of the Boston Guardian's poorly equipped kite?

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Can you guess what Prof. Dubois, Dr. Bailey, Mr. Hershaw and Editor Murray talked about when they put their feet under the same mahogany at a breakfast in Alexandria, Va., the other day?

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Who in the name of the jumping Jehosophat is "Miss Annie Riley Hale of Washington, D. C," who has been betraying what she doesn't know about "The Mulatto Negro" in the current number of the National Magazine?

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Will the present Congress have a few minutes to spare for the consideration of the problems that affect the citizen rights of the Negro and to think over some method of protecting the life and property of our people in the South?

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Wouldn't it be a good idea for the Negro press to commission Mr. Fortune to go to Panama and report on the actual condition of things with reference to race discrimination in the matter of decent employment and personal privileges?

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Won't it be a spectacle for the gods to see John G. Carlisle as counsel for Berea College standing up in a Kentucky court and contending for the coeducation of the black and white races as a right guaranteed by the fourteenth amendment?

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If it is not the business and duty of the official organ of a denomination to discuss the moral and material needs of its members, and make an honest effort to correct evils through publicity and wise counsel, what is the function of said organ?

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Wouldn't Hoke Smith cut a far more impressive figure in history if he would acknowledge that he had some respect for the judgment of Bishop Turner, and stand up like a man in defense of the worthy Negroes he appointed to office while Secretary of the Interior?

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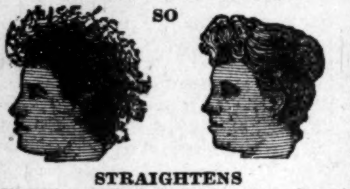

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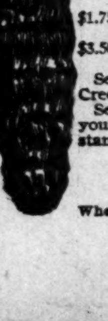

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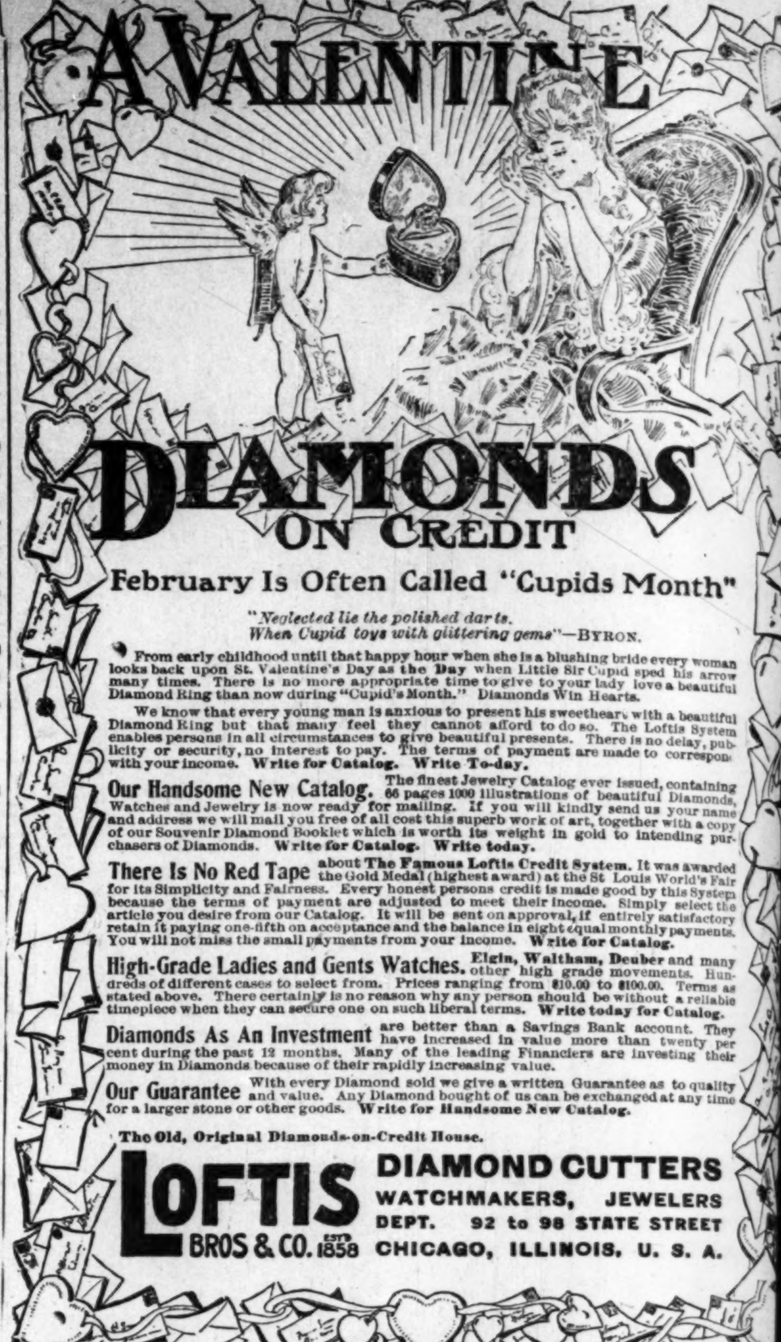

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There are evidences that there will be "something doing" at Norfolk in May, 1908.

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As continental peripatetics Dr. L. G Jordan and Correspondent Charles Stewart are running neck and neck.

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The success of an unworthy Negro does not help the race to rise in the esteem of those whose sympathy is worth while.

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The silence of Dr. J. M. Henderson and Rev J. A. Jones wouldn't be so painful had they not been so loquacious before.

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Hon. J. C. Napier is a rara avis among Negro leaders. He is one of the few—the princely few—who have felt able to decline a federal job.

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Bishop Derrick nobly held up the banner of the Negro at the recent federation of churches at New York City. We knew he could do it.

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If Dr. Tunnell consents to enter the Howard University race it is hoped that none of his rivals will go through him when he isn't looking.

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Despite the drawback of an unprecedented internal friction the Negro's ship of destiny is forging grandly to the front at an unprecedented rate of speed.

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It is to be hoped that the health of Presiding Elder S. Timothy Tice will steadily improve under the vitalizing influence of Florida water and orange juice.

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It looks to an impartial observer that the President relies more upon Booker Washington to assist him in keeping bad men out of office than upon boosting even good ones in.

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Charles W. Anderson has happily learned that to be a successful leader a man must stand by his friends—first

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Don't make remarks or criticism in regards to the looks of guests or their dress.

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Don't serve your guests with your hands dirty or your finger nails in mourning.

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Don't think that you know better what your guest wants to eat than they do themselves.

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Don't allow any waiter to talk against your headwaiter. Praise the bridge that carries you over

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Don't forget that being absent from your table in the kitchen or elsewhere oftimes embarrasses the guests.

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Mrs Emma Berry of Jackson, Tenn. died on Sunday, Jan. 28th, of dropsy. She was about 50 years of age. She was a consistent Christian woman, a member of Liberty Street C. M E Church. Her funeral was held at that church on Monday, Jan 29th at 3 p. m The pastor, Rev. J E Bradford, officiated. Quite a large crowd attended the services Murray & Saunden, the popular undertakers, had charge of the funeral. Burial at Mt. Olivet Cemetery.

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taking the precaution, however, to have the right kind of friends.

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Before the Santo Domingo factionists take partners for the next revolution it behooves Dr. James E. Shepard to "get busy" with his application papers for United States Minister at Puerto Plata.

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If any of the anonymous sand-baggers who are after Dr. E. W. Lampton want to be treated to a bird's-eye view of a first class "scrap" let them tackle Methodism's greatest financial secretary in the open.

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That emphatic statement that Booker T. Washington is endorsing nobody for office was a body-blow to the fellows who have been ringing the changes early and late on his alleged pernicious activity as a patronage broker.

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We were not able to land the A. M. E. General Conference at Washington, but it is consoling to realize that Norfolk isn't so awfully far away, and it is splendid neutral ground. Anyhow, it's lots nearer the capital than Atlanta.

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President Roosevelt is the party to blame when an aspiring office seeker fails to land what he wants—not the man from Tuskegee. Few will attempt to claim that the chief executive isn't able to bear all the burdens that belong to him.

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We have had no intimation that Rev. T Wellington Henderson is finding any additional handkerchiefs necessary to wipe away the briny tears occasioned by the sudden transfer of Presiding Elder S. Timothy Tice to the "Land of Flowers."

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Archibald H. Grimke, Prof. H. T Kealing and Dr. W. V. Tunnell are the latest entries to Howard University's presidential "free for-all." Each of the trio is a thoroughbred, a fine intellectual roadster and has plenty of executive "bottom."

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If you have forgotten any shady transaction in which you may have unfortunately figured a quarter of a century ago just enter the Register of the Treasury handicap and your mind will be refreshed by the charges that will be filed against you.

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If you detect any able-bodied colored politician poring over the pages of a Spanish grammar he is not planning to enter college. He is simply a candidate for a South American consulate, and is trying to live up to the new linguistic requirements insisted upon by the State Department.

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The safe and sane Christian Recorder has nothing to say in favor of the special African Bishop nonsense, nor has Editor Johnson an atom of patience with the aspirations of the bumptious individual who hopes so strenuously to profit by the promotion of that clumsily devised scheme.

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Dr. George C. Clement, editor of the Star of Zion, says the Negro newspaper is read by the white people of the country with more care than most of us imagine. If any pessimistic journalist thinks otherwise, let him just publish a small paragraph upholding something the white people regard as incendiary or revolutionary and watch developments.

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The Washington Record has spat upon its hands and made a new and most promising start at giving the race a really representative journal of news and opinion at the national capital. Editor Waters has more ginger in his make up than his aquatic cognomen would signify to the patrons of the wagon that bears his name.

R. W. THOMPSON.

FT. WORTH, TEX.

The first two-story brick building ever erected in this town has been completed; built by Henry Moore, contractor, and four other colored masons. Charles R Norris and Mrs. Belle Holmes have opened a first-class restaurant on East Fourteenth street.—The following deaths occured in January: Steven H. Browder, Sarah Dixson, Lizzie Brinson, Will Deaton, Douglass Matthers, George Johnson, H. Johnson.

KEOKUK, IA.

Mrs. Anna Maria Wilson, age 86 died Jan. 27, She was born in West Virginia, Mineral County and came to Keokuk twenty-seven years ago. She was a faithful member of the A. M. E. church and a consistent Christian. Edward Coats, of Springfield, O., is her brother. The funeral services were held January 29, at the A. M. E. church

SUPERIOR, WIS.

Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Brown, of Duluth, Minn., entertained a company of friends at a dinner party. Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Oglesby, and Mr. and Mrs. James Willis of this city. Mrs. E. G. Richey entertained with graphaphone selections.

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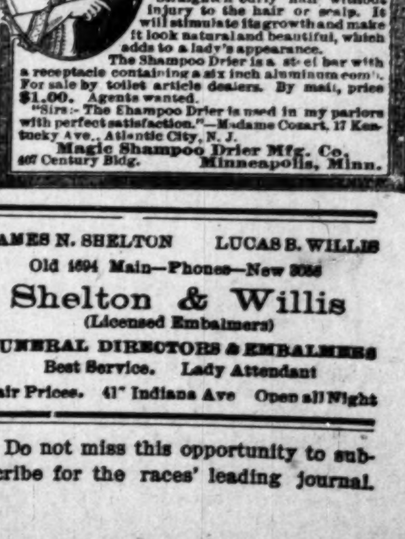

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A BLUNDER.

The front page of our last week's issue bore the date February 27, 1906.

"January" was changed to "February," but for some reason unknown to the jury that "27" was left untouched.

THAT "MISTER."

A Southerner who was at one time expressing his admiration of Booker T. Washington remarked: "Why, sometimes when I meet him it is all I can do to keep from calling him mister."

A man once called at a business establishment in the South and asked if Mr. Smith, a colored man, was employed there. "No!" came the indignant reply. "There is no Mister Smith working here! Sam works here—Sam Smith!"

Another case came to our notice recently. A letter written by a man in Dallas, Texas, and published in one of the daily papers of this city criticising some of its utterances which did not suit Southern sentiment. The writer stated that he was at a loss to know whether or not he should address the editor as "mister," for, he said, "he did not know whether he was black or white."

To begin, we should feel thankful for the ignorance of the average Southerner that makes him believe that "black men" in the North are likely to be found editing metropolitan dailies, but it is this "mister" of which we wish to write. It is an unwritten law with the Southern white man that he must never so far forget himself as to call a colored man "Mister." To do so he thinks would be elevating him above his deserts; that by so doing he would confer an honor on the son of Ham, and he asks that the Fates forbid that he ever do such a thing. Besides the other injury done by such forgetfulness is the one it would do the black man himself by "turning his head."

We confess that every time this matter is brought to our notice, as in the cases cited above, we are amused and cannot suppress a smile which is sometimes audible. The folly of the thing itself, coupled with the seriousness of the victim who imagines he is hurting or honoring some one by calling them "Mister" is the amusing feature of it. It never seems to occur to these people that in humoring this whim the colored man neither takes it seriously or is in the least affected by it. What these people do not understand is that such things are powerless in determining the degree of a man's manliness; that what he is, he is, in spite of the wish to have him appear as more or less; that if he is a man, in the higher sense of the word, they cannot rob him of that quality by refusing to call him Mister; and if he is not a man they cannot make him so by calling him "Mister." Nor does this practice in the Southerner come from his lofty conception of the term as is shown by the fact that they use the term when speaking of all grades of men provided they be white men. So they may be allowed without protest to follow a custom made up of a combination of ignorance and arrogance for it does no one harm except those who think they are injuring others.

MINERS' CONVENTION ENDS.

The great convention of Mine Workers has come to an end. So has the joint conference of operators and mine workers. The most important fact to the public that has come out of these meetings is the disagreement of the conference and the consequent decision of the miners to go on a general strike April 1.

Our opinions of the actions of others is very likely to be determined by the effect of that action on ourselves. For this reason the sympathy of many will not be with the miners; because a strike will mean higher prices for coal. It is because of this lack of general sympathy that has reduced the worker to his present condition. We sympathize only with such action as helps the particular group of which we are a part. This works somewhat like the Democratic idea of tariff reform. Each Democrat favors free trade in all products except those produced in his own district. When the round is completed they occupy the same ground as do the "stand patters." The only way to "reform is to "reform." The only way to help any workers whom we believe to be getting less than a just share of the product of their labor is to sympathize with all who get less than a just share of their product. It is for this reason that we hope to see the miners secure better condition under which to work and a larger share of the wealth they create. If this sympathy means that we pay a higher price for coal for a time we are willing to do it. It is better that we be wronged for a time than that the miners be wronged for all time.

It seems to us that the principal item in the cost of a ton of anthracite coal should be the transportation and that the next item of cost should be the mining. When the conditions under which the digging is done and the hazards attending it are taken into account it does seem that 78 cents per ton is less than a just share of the large price paid by the consumer. The price of coal may be advanced ever so much, as it has been done frequently, without in the least benefitting the miner. Prosperity brings no advance to him. So, during these prosperous days he has worked on year after year at the same fixed price for his labor. We believe they are entitled to a larger share of the product of their labor and if the strike comes we hope they win better conditions and better prices.

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF CIVIC RIGHTS.

An organization has been set on foot as a corporation in the State of Indiana under the above name. It is not organized for pecuniary profit, but for the advancement and betterment of the condition of the colored race. It has addressed a petition full of good sense and sound reasoning to the Senate and House of Representatives. The spirit of the petition can be judged from this paragraph:

> But of what avail are the mandates of the Constitution when a colored person is accused of a heinous crime? He is hunted by bloodhounds; he is seized by a brutal and blood thirsty mob, and whether guilty or innocent he is tortured and murdered. There is for him no legal presentment or trial. There is no learned and upright judge to declare the law as between the accused and the prosecution. There is no impartial jury of the STATE or District to hear the case. The poor wretch, however innocent he may be, has no chance to procure witnesses in his favor and the assistance of counsel is denied to him. The mere accusation of a foul crime is the trial. The accusing members of the mob constitute both the Judge and the Jury and under the guise of punishers of a criminal, they become the murders of the unfortunate man, who by mob violence is debarred of friends, of witnesses, of counsel, of the right of trial by Jury and mercilessly subjected to mutilation, torture and death.

The board of directors consists of Judge John H. Stotsenburg, president; Dr. Wm. O. Vance, secretary.

A clipping informs us that "the colored people of Massachusetts are up in arms against the appropriation of any State funds" for the Jamestown Exposition unless assurances are given that the colored people from that State will not be subjected to humiliation and discrimination. A committee has been appointed and active work is being done This move is all right. It is well enough to let it be known that we are not indifferent to decent treatment. A committee has been appointed consisting of Rev. W. H. Scott, J. A. Crawford and W. H. Trotter and has been given the promise of an early hearing before the State Senate Committee. The move is a good one, but we have our doubts about any good effect being produced on the F. F. V's.

The Vindicator seems to take a very superficial view of the objections Rev. D. P. Pruitt of Muskogee urges against statehood for Indian Territory. We believe that the prediction of Rev. Pruitt, viz., that under statehood the colored people of the Territory would be disfranchised and put in a worse condition than at present, will prove to be true. It is useless to state that such a result would be a "reflection upon the manhood and intelligence of the Negroes of Indian Territory." If Southern white men took manhood and intelligence into account when treating with the Negro it would be an entirely differen matter. The editor of the Vindicator mus have been doing the Rip Van Winkle act for the past twenty years.

THE SPECTATOR.

THINGS AS HE SEES THEM.

The church is the conservator of the community of which it is a part. It is the leaven that ought to work for righteousness. In a very large measure the Negro church is the social, literary and moral center of a Negro community. And so it is very necessary that it keep its garments clean, and that it stands for all that is pure and good and true and uplifting. It cannot do this, if its leaders are themselves corrupt and its teachers vile and unprincipled.

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The church does not influence people as it should. It does not always stand for purity, and sobriety, and honesty, and common sense. I mentioned week before last the manner in which it received and made converts The fact of an ever present God is forgotten. The fact of a God influencing every day life is not emphasized. The life, the ideal life to be lived now is minimized in the thought of a heaven hereafter, and that heaven is always a place of ease and quiet, where white-robed beings will sweep along golden streets. The heaven of the now, the heaven on earth—who teaches such a conception? And so, little regard is given by the church to the real life of its members, and to the standard of life which it holds up. Men may be dishonest, they may be liars, they may be libertines—aye, they may stand in the pulpit and point the way to a heaven while their own feet are treading the paths of hell, and the church says never a word in condemnation and stultifies itself in the effort to shield these libels on her good name.

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I am glad to notice that Dr. Graham is doing good work in calling the attention of the great A. M. E. brotherhood to its delinquincies along this line. One need not remember very far back to recall two instances, in our own city, where two prominent ministers were transferred because their corrupt lives had gotten them into trouble. They were punished by the church authorities by being given larger appointments.

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And right now, what have we in our midst? A large and prominent church trying to shield its pastor from his wrong doing! Some time ago their minister took a hurried and enforced vacation. For the second time he was charged with ruining the life of a young girl And now his church, boasting of its large membership and its good work, because of its holy ghost religion, is preparing to receive him back and forgive him. What was done the first time? Nothing. He was "our boy," now that "papa" was gone, and the hard working washer-women poured their money at his feet, and the austere deacons said that it was only human nature. What a travesty on the Pure and Divine One and the religion which He taught and practiced. Is it not a wonder that He does not come from His throne, and with whips drive these whited sepulchers from His temple.

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And the wronged one, what of her, also, the pity of it all? She must go through life with the scarlet letter dangling over her bosom. She must meet the finger of scorn, and the smile of derission because she entrapped our pastor.

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May I refresh your memories once again. It has not been many months since the pastor of another large Negro church of this city took a ride through our beautiful streets. He rode in the Patrol Wagon to the Police Station. Corrupt, wicked, shameless, guilty—he was all that. But the brethren hushed up the matter and secured his release. And to-day he is a "D. D." and a rising minister in his denomination.

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The church must protect herself. She need not expect any one else to do it. She need not expect the non-church going man or woman to respect her. She does not merit the respect of any right-thinking man so long as she tolerates those who defame her character and besmirch her good name. Is the church afraid? Does it fear publicity? These matters are always public. People are not fooled for a very long time. The church is the sinner, and must herself repent before she can call upon the world to repent. She must repudiate these foul leaders and immoral ministers. Let them be pillored by her awakened judgment, hounded by her outraged conscience and ostracized by her righteous anger.

THE SPECTATOR.

The Clansman has come and gone and the city still stands. It created no fuss and no flurry. Without a single exception the papers "roasted" it and declared that the play had no excuse for its existence. Another paper called it so cheap an attempt to stir ill feeling that colored people should feel no concern about it. As a failuare it is a great success. As an attempt to stir up race feeling it was a complete failure here.

Congressman McKinley of California in attempting to justify our acquisition of the Philippines said: "And so it became imperatively necessary that the United States should rise to the measure of its responsibility and protect that civilization, and she rose to that necessity, and the islands are ours to-day."

This is just about the sort of logic on which that act rests.

The Plague Spots of which The Freeman spoke did not include decently managed clubs composed of respectable men. Our reference was to the other kind located on "The Avenue." The principal pastime of such places is drinking and gambling interspersed with loud and vulgar language. It is not our opinion that all clubs are guilty of such conduct.

The Freeman has no objection to the "Broad Ax" clipping its articles entire, headlines and all, but it does seem that anything "broad" should be broad enough to give proper credit. Otherwise the "Broad Ax" should change its name to hatchet or tomahawk.

When a man dedicates his life to dollar-getting he makes of himself a sort of human tumble-bug. There is this difference between the real tumble-bug and the human tumble-bug—the first one knows when the ball he is rolling is big enough, but the other one don't.

Another banker has gone to join the Indiana colony at the Federal prison at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. Let the good work go on.

Arrogance and greed are twin devils that produce the most of human misery.

WHERE LIES THE BLAME?

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he. More than that, he has the moral courage to do his duty when he sees it. That is the reason why the corruptionists, on and off the bench, are trying so hard to kill him. He is a dangerous man to that class.

Now, there is Bishop Lee, a man against whose private life not a breath of suspicion has even been whispered, a man of giant intellect and strong personality. Some of us thought that he would be the man around whom we could rally to make a fight for reform. Since the last general conference a personal letter was written to him by an honorable elder in the church, praying him to take hold of the situation and try to set in motion the renovation which would seve the church. But he did not have the moral courage to make the first move, not even to reply to the brother's letter. There is Bishop Schaffer, a man of excellent character and great ability. When he was assigned to the Fourth Episcopal district we all looked to see a great cleaning out of the vile heritage left him by the shouting bishop. But again we were doomed to disappointment. He has gone right on appointing and transferring men to fine churches whom he knows to be drunkards and adulterers, men who will give worthless checks to pay off their big dollar money. He also has been personally appealed to to save the church and the race from the disgrace which certain of his preachers were bringing upon us, but he could not, or was afraid to do anything. Possibly it was because these rascals are proteges of other bishops longer on the bench than he.

And now the dispatches tell us that Bishop Derrick clears up the muddle about Phillip A. Hubert, who was arrested for raising money under false pretenses for Wilberforce. But unfortunately the bishop's clearing does not clearify very well. According to this dispatch the bishop authorized Hubert to raise $50,000.00 with which to "surprise" the authorities at Wilberforce. Well, who is this man to whom the bishop could intrust such a valuable secret and such large funds? Is not this the same Hubert who was once dismissed from the agency of Wilberforce on account of crooked dealing? Is not this the same Hubert whom the Iowa conference in 1902 refused to give missionary papers on account of complaints made against him for bad conduct, but whom Bishop Grant did subsequently give papers of authority, in spite of the action of the annual conference? Is not this the same Hubert who, in the fall of 1904 was arrested in Lincoln, Neb. for rape, was tried, convicted and served time for the same? Certainly there was a Rev. P. A. Hubert who made such a record. Now what does Bishop Derrick mean by taking up this fellow and making him a special, secret agent for Wilberforce, and allowing him to run for eighteen months without making any report, or without the proper authorities knowing that he was collecting money for the school? Of course Hubert's word cannot be taken for anything; but the way the prosecuting attorney looked at this beautiful surprise led him to tell President Jones that he had better drop the prosecution, for he could not send Hubert to the pen without sending three of the highest dignitaries in the church to keep him company. To save the church the disgrace President Jones reluctantly accepted $400.00 from Hubert for Wilberforce and let him go.

Remember, I am prepared to prove every statement I make. Remember also that all the bishops have treated me well, and hence I have no personal grievance against a single one. I am not fighting men, but I am fighting sin in high places.

Information is pouring in upon me from every quarter showing how vice and iniquity are being fostered all through the church, and how little the authorities care for the laws of the church. I know that the conditions were awful before I began to write, but I see that I did not know nearly all. Here, for instance, is a letter from a prominent layman in the East, unfolding the sad state of affairs in the First district. The newspapers have given us plenty, but they have not given half the truth. No wonder there is rebellion and defiance of authority. What else can we expect from people who have enlightened consciences? They demand that the preachers and bishops practice what they preach, and when they see such flagrant departures from this rule, and that bishops do not require such things, they do not bow to the judgment of such men.

And so Dr. Johnson says that there is an "ominous indifference" on the part of the bishops, and the public adds "an ominous silence." It is this very indifference that brings me to say that they are largely responsible, as the good doctor admits. They have gone on so long and become so tangled up with these bad men that they see no way to cut loose from them without condemning themselves But this is just what they are called upon to do, confess their sins, whether of omission or of commission and make a new start in their episcopal life. They cannot regain the confidence of the public in any other way. A layman of the last two general conferences says that the only mistake I made in my first article was in saying that "the church would not last twenty-five years, in its present condition." He says that it will not last twelve years unless the bishops come down and make a new start. This is the only way to restore confidence. Will they have the moral courage to do it, or will they go blindly on as did the Russians against the Japs?

In my next I will take up the flagrant misappropriations of the dollar money.

D. A. GRAHAM,
Detroit, Mich.

THOMPSON'S WEEKLY REVIEW

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thus branding Tom Dixon to his face, in a vast public assembly, is the talk of New York, and the race ought to be proud of a son who never bites his tongue when the enemy needs a castigation. Whatever criticism Tom Fortune's opponents may lay at his door, not one has ever discounted his nerve in trying emergencies, they have never doubted his intence loyalty to his race, and they have never accused him of being a hypocrite.

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Prominent Washingtonians are endeavoring to set on foot a movement by which the colored people of the country may tender a suitable present to Miss Alice Roosevelt on the occasion of her wedding. Such a tribute would be highly appropriate, but prompt action will be necessary if anything is to come of the suggestion.

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The Niagara movement was incorporated last week in Washington. The incorporators were W. E. B. DuBois, William H. Richards and Lafayette M. Hershaw. The avowed objects of the Niagara Movement have been frequently exploited in the contemporary press, and are doubtless familiar to the public.

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The Negro loses the Bahia consular, ship, recently vacated by Dr. H. W. promoted to Minister to Hayti. The plum goes to Albert R. Morawets, of Arizona, who is said to be a Jew. For some unexplained reason, none of our men had any hankering to go to Bahia, even at $3,000 per annum. We could have rtained the place without question, as it is stated that least three Afro-Americans were offered it, but all declined with thanks. When the Recordership or Register of the Treasury microbe gets into the black man's system, it is mighty hard to kill it off by the injection of a mere consulship—that spells exile from the social gaieties of Washington. Now, about Peurto Cabello, the berth abandoned by Mr. J. B. Peterson.

W. R. THOMPSON.

THROUGH THE GLIMMERS.

Preaching In Open Air.

All the great sermons in the Bible were preached in the open air. If the people will not come to church then the church should be brought to them. If it was not beneath the dignity of the Lord Jesus Christ to hold open air meetings then it should not be beneath any pretended and assumed dignity we may profess to possess. Let some preachers who, during the hot months of the year, preach to but a corporal's guard go out into the open air and preach to the crowds. It is a fact that the best way to reach the masses is to go after them. But still that preacher who goes out upon the highway with a view of attracting the masses by howling like some wild beast we have heard in a circus, should not be given much attention. It is that preacher who talks to his hearers in a modest, neighborly like way that wins and attracts the masses. By preaching on the street corner many a poor, ignorant man, woman and child has been lifted into a better life that they probably would have never known nothing of had not some very thoughtful divine sought to preach in the open air.

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In this (New York) Age The Freeman is the (Ky.) Standard (Chicago) Defender of the (Boston) Colored Citizen. It is the (Richmond, Va.,) Negro Criterion and (Atlanta, Ga.) Voice of the Negro. It is the (Orangeburg, S. C.) Peoples' Recorder or (S. C.) Southern Reporter of (Alexandria, Va.) Home News. It is a (Topeka) Plaindealer with the (Cincinnati, O.) Brotherhood of the (Columbus, O) Colored World. It is an (Savannah, Ga.) Independent, (Seattle, Wash.) Republican, (Detroit) Informer of the (Lynchburg, Miss.) Christian Organizer, and also a (Boston, Mass.) Guardian for (Richmond Va.) The True Reformer. Always (Birmingham, Ala.) Wide-Awake with that (Ill.) Idea to (Pine Bluff, Ark.) Post you through the (Red Bank, N. J.) Mail and Express of its (Springfield, O.) Forum, the (Hopkinsville, Ky.) News of the (Baltimore, Md.) Afro-American wherever doth spread the wings of the (St. Louis, Mo.) American Eagle.

CHARLES MARSHALL.

HIS RESIGNATION.

Mr. Editor—I resigned the pastorate of the Mt. Calvary Baptist Church at Norwich, Conn., last November, and was the fourteenth pastor that the church has had during its existence of thirty-two years. They owe me considerable on back salary, and I said in my letter of resignation the following: "When you are ready to settle with me I will be prepared to turn over to you all matters and properties in my possession belonging to the church." I have the matter now in the hands of a competent lawyer who will see that justice is done to one who served the church at a great personal sacrifice for five years and six months.

Yours, etc.,
J. Francis Robinson.
Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 6, '06.

BEAUTIFUL DIAMOND RING

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Ohio is 235 miles across from north to south and 198 miles across from east to west; Pennsylvania is 177 miles across from north to south and 327 miles across from east to west, which is the largest, and how many square miles of erea in each?

A bushel basket weighing 4¼ pounds is filled with oats. Another weighing 3½ pounds is filled with corn on the shell. How many of each will it require to fill a wagon holding one ton?

When it is 3 o'clock a. m. at Port Arthur, what hour is it at St. Louis, Mo.?

These problems are the most interesting and facinating ever propounded, and hundreds are working on them already. To the person first sending in the correct answer to the four problems we will present a beautiful Two Hundred and Fifty Dollar Diamond ring (ladies or gentleman) with a genuine marceau setting, and to the next five, in their order, a year's subscription to Munsey's Magazine.

In sending in your answers it is absolutely necessary that you enclose 25 cents for a copy of Cadijah's book, "Turn On The Light," the most remarkable book published, and one which has attracted the attention of the press and public. Your answer must be received before midnight of February 17, and be addressed, with 25 cents in coin, to the Authors Publishing Co., Columbus, Ohio.

A little effort may secure you the diamond ring. No answers considered if not accompanied by 25 cents in coin for Cadijah's book. Business men, teachers, scholars—everybody get busy. At the expiration of the contest the correct answers will be given in this paper.

THE WAY TO LOOK NEAT

And comfortable is to have your hair nicely combed and put up in the latest style. If your hair is kinky and harsh it is untidy and hurts when you try to comb it. You can easily change all that and make your hair pliable, soft and easy to comb by using Ford's Hair Pomade, formerly known as "Ozonized Ox Marrow." This prevents dandruff and makes the hair grow. For over forty years ladies of refinement have been using it with great success. Warranted harmless. Only 50c a bottle. Sold by druggists, or send us 50c for a bottle. We pay the postage. Address Ozonized Ox Marrow Co., Charles Ford, Pres't, 76 Wabash avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Every Lady Read This.

Years ago when I was a sufferer, an old nurse told me of a wonderful cure for Leucorrhea, Displacement, Painful Periods, Ulceration and Ovarian troubles. [illegible] month. It is a simple harmless lotion that can be prepared by any one having the recipe. I will send it Free to every suffering sister who writes to me. I have nothin to sell. In a case of woman helping woman. Lotion Free. Address Mrs. A. B. Hudnut, South Bend, Ind.

The Stage

You can always be found if your name appears in The Freeman's Manager's and Actor's Directory.

A. A. Copeland with Gideon's "Hot Time in Coontown" Company will feature George Walker's latest success, "Pretty Desdemona."

Billy McClain writes from Leeds, Eng. —Just a line to let you know that I am going strong. Did I silence the guns with that last bomb that I threw over in "Fort Orange"?

"Hot Coons from Memphis" a company of thirty people are rehearsing at the Odd Fellows Hall, at Indianapolis. The object is to take the road. The well-known comedians, Temple & Tolliver are of the company of which James Nicholson is manager.

Cole & Johnson, with a big company, under the management of Samuel L. Tuck, will claim the attention of the theatre-going public about the latter part of this month, with an entirely new military play with music by Rosamond Johnson and book by Bob Cole. The company will number fifty-five.

Some manager has a good paying position for you, and he wishes to locate you. Information of yourself in the Managers and Actor's Directory of The Freeman would enable him to find you without any delay.

We want you to take advantage of a splendid opportunity now. Your name, permanent address, and the name of the company with which you are traveling, in the Managers's and Actor's Directory, for 10 cents a line, or three lines for 25 cents, will be of great service to you.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kraton of the Black Patti Troubadours, while showing in Chicago last month, were the guests of Mrs. Marsh Craig at her palatial residence in Forest avenue. Mrs. Craig and little daughter attended the show in a box party, the special guests of Black Patti.

The Drury Grand Opera Company presented "Carmen" at Providence, R. I., January, 29, to a large and fashionable Afro-American audience. Mrs. Marion Adams Harris was especially good in the title role. George T. De Baptiste entertained with cornet solos between the acts and after the performance there was a banquet and dance.

Frank Mahara's minstrels held the boards at the Park Theatre last night and furnished an evening of unalloyed pleasure to all who attended. The singing was excellent, especially by the quartet, and the specialties were all that could be desired. There are no better minstrels en tour than Frank Mahara's and this fact is attested by the large crowds that attended the performances.—Hannibal Morning Journal, January 31, Hannibal Mo.

Fred Lewis, proprietor of the Beg Sensational Georgia Plantation, with Smith Greater Amusement Company:—We are still in Florida and are doing a good business. The weather is exceedingly warm down here and we are enjoying the warm winter. We play all opera houses back North. Regards to the Beechums, write me at Dunnellon, Fla.; will send tickets at any time on receipt of their whereabouts. I have engaged thirty-eight parks for next season.

Johnnie Jones writes from the Benbow's Old Plantation.—We are now in Florida and expect to make about four more stands in this state and then return to Alabama. Thomas Lindsey is still pleasing with his comedy; Alberta Benbow is still making friends with her winning ways and is cleaning up with "I Want To Be Loved;" Charlie Spencer opened with the show in Pensacola and is doing exceedingly well. Bud Jones is still rendering his rich baritone solos. William Benbow sends regards to all friends in and out of the profession.

Notes from Hawk's Moving Pictures.—I have put on a new feature which no colored man has introduced in this section, "Colored Galatea," one of the most wonderful illusions of the Twentieth Century, illustrating the beautiful Greek myth. Marble statute turned into a beautiful living woman and ten other mystifying changes that puzzles them so they follow the show nightly from church to church. I am now only playing large halls and colored churches and they are packed from rostrum to the door. We play Jacksonville three weeks; St. Augustine, one week; Tampa, two; Havana Cuba from March 15, until April 1. Regards to all friends. The Freeman is on sale at any of my shows.

Napoleon Johnson sends the following from Richards & Pringles' Georgia Minstrels.—With a few more stands and our Kansas engagement will be at an end, I must say we did the banner business and old Kansas will be long remembered. The press and public voting the show this season far ahead of last season's success, which adds another feather in the cap of Clarence Powell, our genial stage manager. The band of eighteen pieces under the management of Fred Simpson is still setting a pace for all comers and Simpson in rendering his trombone solos leaves them all talking. The orchestra under the direction of Ralph Nichols never fails to get its share of praise and is keeping up the standard. Mrs. Fred Simpson and Mrs. William Cooper are still paying their husbands a visit and are enjoying the traveling hugely in our new Pullman car purchased in Denver. George Jones, cornetist closed in Wichita and Dick Anderson of Houston took his place. The old reliable, The Freeman is read and enjoyed by all as usnal and is looked to with interest each week All the boys are well and join me in sending regards to the Chicago "bunch" and all friends.

SO WAS THE STATION AGENT.

Mattie Phillips, one of the fascinating soubrets in the Black Patti Troubadour Company, stepped off a train at a tank station recently while the engine was taking fuel and water, and sought some wild flowers in a nearby field, and while so engaged, the train pulled out and left her behind. Meeting a railroad section hand, she asked, "When is the next train to Atlanta?" "Tomorrow morning, nine o'clock, mum," said the man. Mattie in great distress asked "Where is the nearest hotel?" 'There is no hotel here at all," replied the man, "But what shall I do?" sobbed Mattie, "where shall I spend the night?" "I reckon you will have to stay all night with the station agent," suggested the man. "Sir," cried the indignant Mattie, "I'd have you understand that I am a lady," "Well, said the man as he walked away, "So is the station agent.

KERSANDS MINSTRELS TO VISIT NEW JERSEY.

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BURLINGTON IA.

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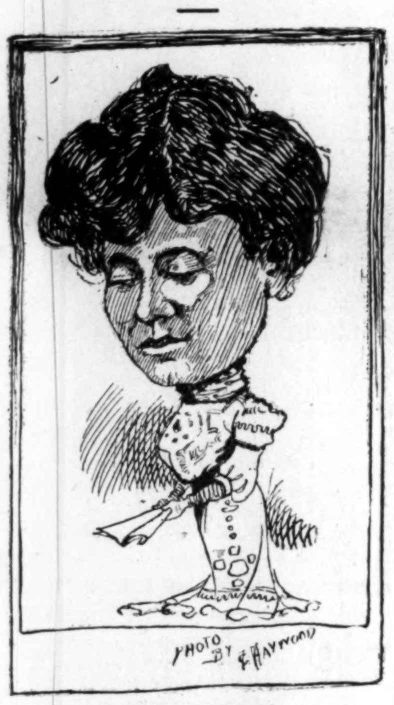

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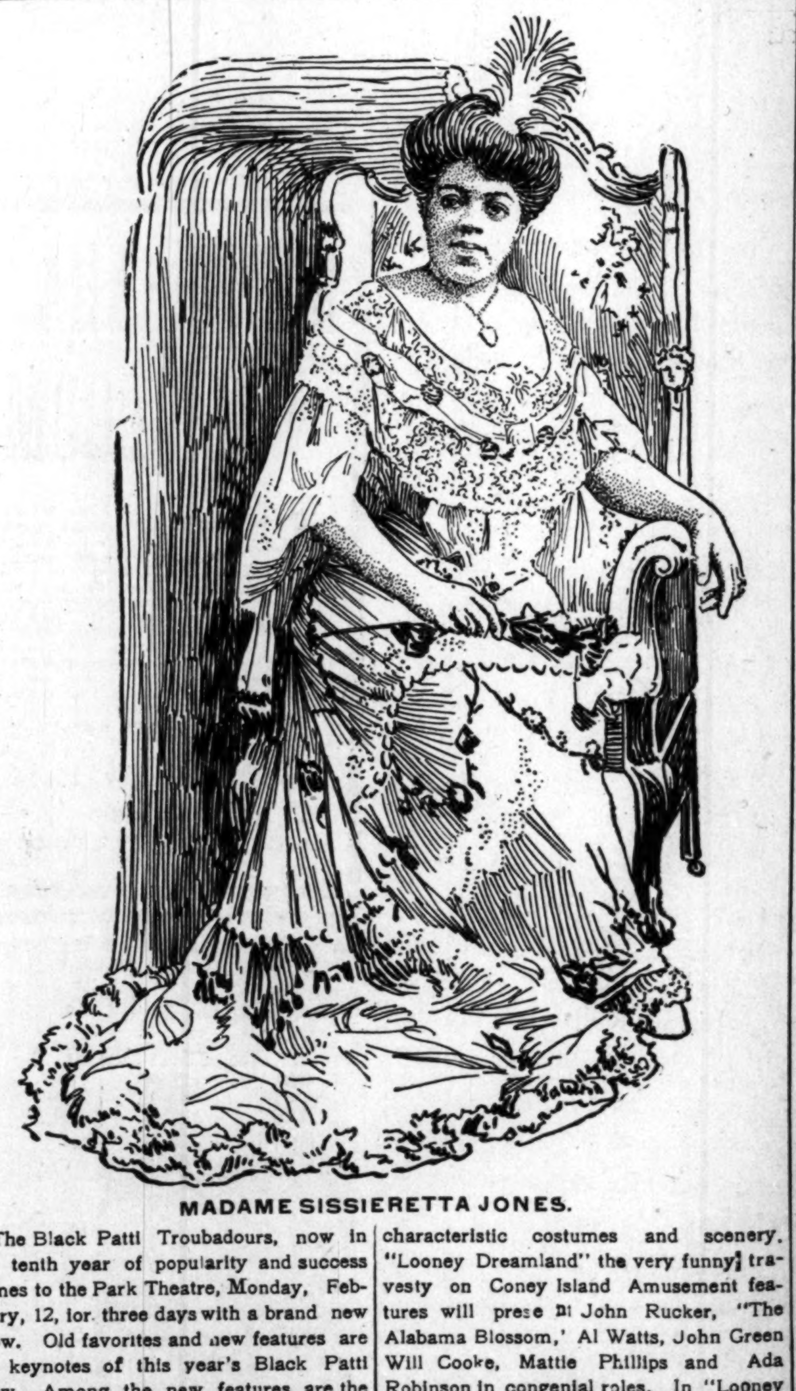

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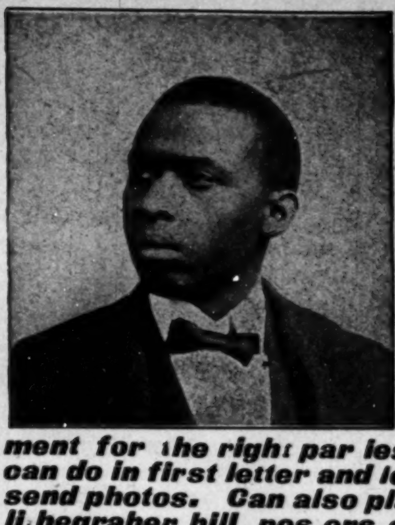

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Notice to Heirs, Creditors, Etc.

In the matter of the Estate of John S. Freeman, deceased	In the Marion Circuit Court, February Term, 1906.

Notice is hereby given that Henrietta Freeman as administratrix of the estate of John S Freeman deceased has presented and filed her account and vouchers in final settlement of said estate, and that the same will come up for examination and action of said Circuit Court on the 24 day of February 1906 at which time all heirs creditors or legatees of said estate are required to appear in said Court and show cause if any there be, why said account and vouchers should not be approved. And the heirs of said estate are also hereby required at the time and place aforesaid, to appear and make proof of their heirship.

HENRIETTA FREEMAN.

J. H LOTT, Attorney.

DIVORCE LEGAL.

Lillie McGee vs Oscar McGee	State of Indiana, Marion Co., ss: in the Circuit Court of Marion county In the State of Indiana. No. 14207 Complaint Divorce.

BE IT KNOWN, That on the 3rd day of July 1905, the above named plaintiff, by her attorney, filed in the office of the clerk of the circuit court of Marion county, in the State of Indiana, her complaint against the above named defendant Oscar McGee, and the said plaintiff having also filed in said clerk's office the affidavit of a competent person, showing that said defendant Oscar McGee, is not a resident of the State of Indiana and said cause is for divorce and that the above namded defendant is a necessary party thereto and whereas said plaintiff having by endorsement on said complaint required said defendant to appear in said court, and answer or demur thereto on the 31st day of March, 1906.

NOW, THEREFORE, By order of said court, said defendant last above named is hereby notified of the filing and pendency of said complaint against him and that unless he appear and answer or demur thereto, at the calling of said cause on the 31st day of March 1906, the same being the 24th judicial day of a term of said court, to be begun and held at the court house in the city of Indianapolis, on the 1st Monday in March 1906 said complaint and the matters and things therein contained and alleged will be heard and determined in his absence.

WM. E. DAVIS, Clerk

JAMES T. V. HILL, Attorney for Plaintiff.

DIVORCE LEGAL.

Monroe A. Nagle vs Anna E. Nagle	State of Indiana, Marion Co, ss.: in the Circuit Court of Marion Co., In the State of Indiana. No. 14733 Complaint for Divorce.

BE IT KNOWN, That on the 29th day of Jan. 1906, the above named plaintiff, by his attorney, filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Marion county, in the state of Indiana, his complaint against the above named defendant, Anna E. Nagle and the said plaintiff having also filed in said Clerk's office the affidavit of a competent person, showing that said defendant, Anna E. Nagle is not a resident of the state of Indiana and said cause is for divorce and that the above named defendant is a necessary party thereto and whereas said plaintiff having by endorsement on said complaint required said defendant to appear in said court, and answer or demur thereto on the 29th day of March, 1906.

NOW, THEREFORE, By order of said Court said defendant last above named is hereby notified of the filing and pendency of said complaint against her and that unless she appear and answer or demur thereto, at the calling of said cause on the 29th day of March, 1906 the same being the 22nd judicial day of a term of said Court, to be begun and held at the court house in the city of Indianapolis, on the 1st Monday in March 1906 said complaint and the matters and things therein contained and alleged, will be heard and determined in her absence.

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The Churches, Social, Industrial And Moral Condition of Race at Quincy.

There are two colored churches and two missions in Quincy, Ill. The Baptist church is located at the corner of Eighth and Elm streets. It is a modern brick structure, of the very latest style of Gothic architecture, ornamented with a high steeple and is beautifully decorated inside, The audience room is on the second floor and entrance is gained by stairs on both sides of the vestibule. The lower room is used for lectures, dinners, socials, fairs, etc given to assist the church financially. The minister's private study is also on this floor. It contains a library and other conveniences for health and comfort. The membership numbers 400 There is a debt of $900, which is being paid as fast as the holder of the mortgage will accept the money. This church is valued at $10,000.

Dr F. L Smith is the pastor. He is a broad minded race man; enjoys reading The Freeman and is ever ready to defend the rights of his race. He is a Missourian by birth; ordained in 1877; built Pilgrim Rest Baptist church at Keokuk, Ia. He completed the church at Columbia, Mo., which is said to be one of the finest in that state. During his pastoral work he has accepted a call to Canton and Paris, Mo., and to the Union Baptist church at Springfield Ill., which call he resigned to accept his present charge Dr. Smith has filled nearly every office in the gift of his denomination and takes an active interest in every legitimate business enterprise among his race. He is the father of two sons and three daughters, All except one are graduates of high school and college.

Bethel A. M. E. church is near the corner of Ninth and Oak streets. It is a brick building and was recently enlarged. The windows are large ornamental patterns of the Mosaic enamel method showing the emblems of secret orders and were donated to the church by lodges of the city. The church is said to be worth $20,000. There are about 300 members with a debt of $800. Dr. W. H. Giles, the pastor is an Eastern man and did pastoral work in the East for a number of years. He was presiding elder for four years in North Carolina and for nine years in New Jersey. In 1904 he was transferred to the Illinois conference and received his present charge.

Dr. Giles is a writer and author of national reputation, a great organizer and financier and has built a number of churches and paid for them. He has three sons, who are taking courses at Howard University. Two sons and one daughter are residing with him in Quincy.

The social and moral make up of the race can be easily described when it is known that Quincy is a fraternity or secret order town. Almost everybody belongs to some secret order. There is no well-defined line drawn between the first and second classes in society, yet there are many respectable colored citizens. The use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage seems to be one of the main hindrances and drawbacks to the spiritual and financial advancement of our people in this place. Beer is the drink most of them prefer. And any hour day or night the tin can brigade in "Happy Hollow" can be seen wending its way to the saloon. Men, women and children even little tots five or six years old can be seen "rushing the can." It is said that many of the members of both churches "rush the growler." We understand that nothing has been done by either of the churches in the way of an organized temperance effort like we see in other cities. And it probably will be many years before a perceptible change can be made to better the condition of our race in this direction.

In the field of industry we find our brothers employed as laborers on the streets, about forty are employed as coachman There are a number employed as janitors of buildings, sextons of churches, etc The city street rail way employs some and the paper mills, scrap-iron dealers and several other enterprises hire colored men. The hod-carriers have a union numbering fifty members. It was organized twelve years ago. Its members get twenty-five cents per hour for their work. J. Gillam is president. There seems to be a great demand for colored women to work in private families. They usually get from $2.00 to 3 50 a week and for day work $1 00 or 10 cents per hour.

Sergeant Wade Abbott, of Cottage 4 S. S Home has this to say about the colored inmates of the Home, "For sobriety and good deportment I find the colored soldiers the equal if not the superior of the white soldiers in my cottage. I find fewer reports for bad conduct among the colored soldiers than I do among the whites." The sergeant is a constant reader of The Freeman and is heartily in sympathy with the uplifting struggle of the race.

In a recent article concerning Mr Chappel's property, the value should have been $1 000. The next article under this head will be "A Visit to Springfield, Ill."

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IN THE WORLD OF SPORTS.....

By JOHN L. FOOTSLUG.

Jack Blackburn, an old Indianapolis boy, fought George Gunther, the Australian, to a draw before the Newcastle, (Pa.), Athletic Club, January, 31.

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The coast papers unanimously demand a fight between Joe Gans and Jimmy Britt. Britt will either have to deliver the goods or lose all the reputation he has left.

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Terry McGovern says that his plans include the defeat of Battling Nelson first and then the overthrow of Joe Gans. Terry talks very much like a "has been" champion.

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Robert Fitzsimmons, according to report, is to locate in Chicago, where he has purchased a half interest in a hotel. It will be hereafter the boniface landlord instead of battle scared ring hero.

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Gans' share of the recent coast fight $2,452,200. He also bet $1,700 at odds of 10 to 7. So it can be seen that he cleaned up a neat sum. Gans has offered to wager $5 000 on the side that he can whip Jimmy Britt.

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Tom O'Rourke, on behalf of the Tuxedo Club, which is located just beyond Philadelphia has announced that he will offer a purse of $15 000 for a twenty round match between Joe Gans, who defeated Mike (Twin) Sullivan last week, and either Battling Nelson or Jimmy Britt, the fight to be for the lightweight championship of the world, both men to weigh in at 133 pounds. To induce Nelson or Britt to waive the color line, O Rourke announces that he will give Gans' opponent $1,000 as soon as he enters the ring.

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In selecting all Western Football Team E. C. Patterson in last week's Collier chooses Mr Marshall, an Afro-American a member of the Minnesota team. In commenting upon his playing Mr, Patterson says, "Very few gains have been made around his end this year. He is quick in discerning a play powerful and sure as a tackler, and in carrying a ball made consistent gains." It is perhaps the first time that an Afro-American has been selected a member of that team. Walter Camp, the veteran football player of Yale also compliments the playing of Mr. Marshall.

Prof. C. E. Hawk, one of the traveling representatives for The Freeman, is now in Tennessee in the interest of the work.

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The liveliest topics of the day will be put before our readers by that very admirable correspondent, Mr. Richard W. Thompson, who is considered to be one of the leading journalists of the day. Mr. Thompson is a staff writer of this paper, who writes on difficult subjects with such singular fairness that every one almost believes that his word "is law."

Dr. M. A. Majors, whose "Major Melange" has scored a world of success in the many past years that it has appeared in this paper, will continue to brighten these columns with his very interesting lines.

Some of our columns will also be devoted to the best interests of the Head, Second and Side Waiters. These columns will be purely an education to the up-to-date waiter of the day.

The Woman's World, which has been so well recieved by our readers, will be a splendid feature in 1906. "Dorothy's" power as a writer of the womankind has become the equal of Mrs. Ella Wheeler Wilcox in mark of beauty. A woman who read an article in the proofs for the Woman's World, said: "Until now I never had any but a confused idea of what our women are doing and of what they could do to better their condition."

The World of Sports will be well taken care of by Mr. John L. Footslug, who has been right in the midst of it for years. Every kind of sport known will appear in these columns.

The Stage will come in for a great share of praise in the next twelve months It will be prettily illustrated. Newsy letters of the stage from New York, Chicago and other cities will appear each week. The Freeman's Gallery, a newly added feature, will also appear. Brief reviews will be published from the pen of Messrs. Carle B. Cooke, Sylvester Russell and others.

The Art Department will be well cared for by our able cartoonist, Mr. Garfield T. Haywood, who is at its head. Perhaps there are few young men who have gained more prominence than Mr. Haywood, through his remarkable talent as a cartoonist. This office has been deluged with letters praising his work. It is the intention of the management to steadily improve in the next twelve months, in our department of art.

The "Top o' the Week" column, conducted by Mr. Charles Marshall, will continue to sparkle more than ever with bubbling wit and humor. He will constantly contribute for the benefit of the wise and the unwise

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RACE GLEANINGS

Frank W. Hughes, a bright young man, heads the list of eligibles for letter-carrier in the Louisville, Ky., postoffice.

T McCants Stewart, for many years a legal light of New York City, and later a resident of Honolulu, Hawaii, is in Liberia.

The colored citizens of Petersburg, Va., have organized an association for the purpose of erecting a hospital for members of the race.

A. Kirkland Soga, editor of the Izwai Labantu, of West London, South Africa, expects to visit the United States in the near future.

H. F. Wilson an enterprising colored man, has a large laundry at Glencoe, Ill., and gives employment to ten or twelve women of the race.

After a life of nearly nine years, the National Negro Accadamy has twenty-nine members, It was founded by the late Dr. Alexander Crummell.

Representative Wiley, of Alabama, has introduced a bill in Congress providing for a National Tuberculosis Sanatorium, to be open to both races.

The Pullman car porters have organized a union known as the American Association of Railway Employees, with headquarters in New York.

David L. Johnson, a graduate of Tuskegee, class of '89, has a fine drug store in Birmingham, Ala. His business is prosperous, and he has a nice home all paid for.

The American Building Loan Lumber and Land Company of Houston, Texas is a colored corporation recently organized and chartered. Shares sell for $1 each.

Roosevelt, the new Negro town, near the District of Columbia line in Maryland, is prospering, and many lots are being sold to substantial colored people employed in the Washington departments.

Two leading residences owned and occupied by Afro Americans in the South are those recently built by Bishop Evans Tyree in Nashville, Tenn., and Rev. James Jones, at Pine Bluff, Ark.

The New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad, has two colored towermen, operating the block signal. One is J. E. Dixon, stationed at Elmwood, R. I., and the other H. G. Buchanan at Olneyville, same state.

Rev. S. E. Smith, of Lexington, Ky., is moving for a monument, to be erected by Negroes to the memory of the late W. C. P. Breckridge, the jurist who first made it possible for the testimony of a Negro to be accepted in a Kentucky court of equity.

Dr. William A. Warfield, surgeon-in-chief of Freedmen's Hospital, Washington, D. C., one of the officials of the late Capital Savings Bank, was recently sued by Miss Gertrude Smith, a depositor. Miss Smith got judgment for $785, the entire amount of her deposit, with interest and costs of court.

Dr. Andrew Lyman Paey, a Negro physician of Kansas City, Kansas, at a recent examination before the State Board of Examiners for a certificate to practice medicine in the State, ranked first in a class of thirty, all the remainder of whom were white He made the first 100 per cent., ever made there in bacteria.

The enterprising Negro is nothing if not versatile. A colored firm in Norfolk, Va., advertises in a Baltimore paper that it can furnish the finest chickens and eggs the market affords, and also carries a choice line of coffins and caskets. This firm evidently strives to please, and with two strong business chances at hand, we do not see how it can loose.

Dr. Richard B. Jackson, a colored physician from New York City, has established a hospital for colored people at Bluefield, W. Va.,—an institution that has been badly needed in that vicinity. Dr. Jackson says the hospital staff will include Drs. A. M. Curtis and Charles I. West, former surgeons of the Freedmen's Hospital at Washington, D. C., and states that all patients will receive the best of attention.

Charles Banks, vice president of the National Negro Business League, and cashier of the Bank of Mound Bayou, Miss, has purchased nearly all of what is known as North Mound Bayou This section he has had surveyed into town lots and has named the principal streets after the following officers of the Business League: Booker T Washington, T. Thomas Fortune, Emmett J. Scott, Fred R. Moore and Charles Banks.

William A. Wells, Steward at the White House during the administrations of Presidents Cleveland and Mckinley, died a few days ago in Washington, at the age of fifty years. He left the White House to accompany Charles A. Pullman abroad. For many years he was also steward for George M. Pullman, the sleeping car magnate, and upon the latter's death Wells received $3,000 from his employer's last will and testament.

The South End House, one of the oldest of Boston's social settlements, has for several years past been doing betterment work among the Negro of Boston's South End maintaining classes in sewing, cooking, basketry and a kindergarten. It employs a worker who visits many Afro-American homes and relieves cases of need. In addition to this practical work, the South End House is making a systematic study of the situation of the Afro-American in Boston.

The Minister of the Colonies at Paris M, Clemental, has signed a law punishing with two to five years imprisonment and a heavy fine, any one engaging in the slave trade in the French African colonies. By an oversight the old law referring to slavery only prohibited the importation of slaves by sea. Consequently, West African natives were largely traded in locally. Test cases revealed the state of the law, and the colonial minister hastened to remove the last vestige of the slave traffic as indicated.

The Colored North American Oil Company, with wells at Hartford City, Ind., is endeavoring to get on its feet again, and has reorganized with a capital stock of $10 000. The officers of the corporation are: President, George Green, Hartford City, Ind.; vice-president, Daniel Castleman, Connersville, Ind.; treasurer, Charles Tolliver; secretary, S. K. Vest; president of board of directors, W. M. Huey, all of Connersville. The company enjoyed a brief season of success last year by praying for oil, and it gushed forth when results were being despaired of. They will pray again.

Xenia, Ohio, is a center of Negro progress. It is the seat of Wilberforce University, the largest school conducted by the A. M. E. Church. It has a colored population of 4 000. There are seven churches, two excellent schools and many Negroes are in business Russell and Hawkins conduct a drug store, and A. H. Dickerson is a pharmacist. R E. Holmes and J. D Thomas are undertakers. There are two able lawyer, C. L. Maxwell and W. Rogers and two physicians, Drs F T. Lindsay and H. R. Hawkins. The teachers are Prof. T. D. Scott, Misses L. V. Phelps, Selena C. Gains, L. Willis, C Butler, O. Towles, B. Underwood, L Hampton, B. Hatcher; Mrs. A. Meeks, and Mrs. L. Scott. A large per cent., of the race own fine homes.

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MAY BAR "THE CLANSMAN."

As a result of the production of "The Clansman" in Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 26, Representative William F Klair, Democrat of Lexington, introduced in the General Assembly a bill prohibiting the production of "Any play that is based upon antagonism alleged formerly to exist between master and slave or that excites race prejudices." The measure provides penalties of $500 fine and jail imprisonment for violation of its provisions. The bill was referred to the Public Morals committee of the Assembly, and its adoption will be strongly urged.

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH.

A great many people living in the South, East and North seem to think the West is made up of the worthless class of colored people, but one has only to make a trip through the West and they will find that the spirit among the better class is no less than that in the East. There are a great many careless and worthless ones, but the same is true of other places, even in the centers of culture and refinement, there is to be found the common.

A few years ago before I cast my lot in the West, I like many others who had never heard much of it, supposed the people were made up of the floating element, but I have found it untrue. We haven't as many business men as in other places If a few of the many business and professional colored men would leave the crowned cities and seek these new settlements how much better it would be. We have about 600 colored citizens Many of them are following the advice of Booker T. Washington, and are purchasing homes and beautifying them

Mrs, Lucy B Thurman, Miss Hallie Q. Brown, who in company with Miss Mary J. Lynch and Mrs Preston en route to California, gave a splendid talk on temperance work—Bishop B F. Lee lectured recently at the Tabernacle Assembly.

E V O JOHNSON.

A JEW GETS BAHIA CONSULSHIP.

A Washington special says the President on Monday sent to the Senate the nomination of Albert R Morawetz of Arizona to be Consul at Bahia, Brazil The place was refused by at least three Afro-Americans to whom it was offered Morawits is presumably a Jew It is most likely that he will get the position.

SPRINGFIELD, ILL,

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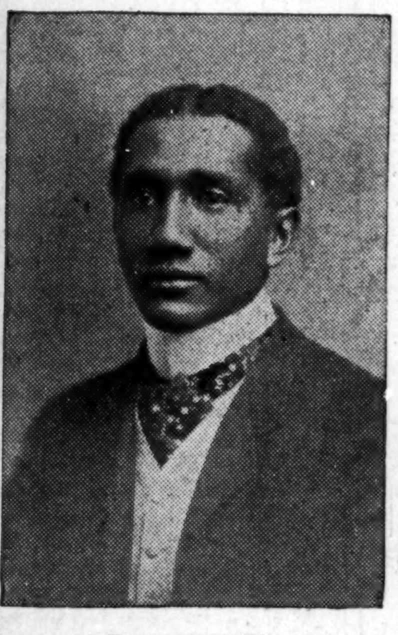

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A. A. Copeland, of "Gideon's Hot Time in Coon Town" spent Wednesday in the city, the guest of Elwood C. Knox.

Mrs Charles Mosby spent a few days last week with her husband Attorney Mosby.

Simpson Chapel Choral Society will give a valentine social at the home of Mrs. J. T, V. Hill, 1510 Martindale avenue.

On March 5, at Simpson Chapel will be rendered the beautiful cantata, "Belchazzar's Feast." Among the participants are some of the foremost musical talent of the city. Watch for further announcement.

Gurley Brewer, editor of the World was called to Muncie last week to give a talk on industrial education. That city has on foot an industrial movement looking forward to the establishment of of a school in keeping with the movement.

The Arcadian Club will open their Home Bakery, Thursday evening, Feb. 15, at 1204 North West street; will be pleased to see all friends. James Grubbs, president and manager; Mrs Mary Hodge, vice president; Harry McKay, secretary.

Mrs. T. H. Henderson died last Saturday evening. Her remains were taken by her parents. Mr and Mrs. Nelson to Cincinnati, where she was buried from Mound Street Baptist church Mrs. Henderson was the sister of Miss Lizzie Nelson and Mrs Alex Posey

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Y. M. C. A. Notes,

The Men's Meetings Sunday continue to grow in popularity. A feature of these meetings is the song service which starts at 3 15. Rev. J. Francis Robinson will speak on "Fits, Misfits and Outfits."

Financial report for January 1906

RECEIPTS.

Subrcriptions	$80 78
Membership	13.50
Collections	7.88
Punch Cards	14 15
Rentals	4 00
Rebate from Gas Co	1 32
Total	$121 63

EXPENDITURES.

Gas and Fuel	$ 7 25
Supplies	13 35
Gen, Sec'y Salary	50 00
Gen. Sec'y Back Salary	10 36
Janitor Service	4 00
Rent	27.50
Balance Cash	$121 63

$99 81 of the total receipts came from our own people,

Respectfully Submitted,
THOS. E. TAYLOR.
General Secretary.

ACTORS AND ACTRESSES CLUB.

Communications expressing much interest in the organization of this club have been received from members of the profession and managers also. All are of the opinion that there is a great need of such an institution and are willing to give it their support. For they have felt the want of a real headquarters where they may meet for mutual benefit. The combined efforts of every man and woman in the profession is necessary to make it a success and the success of such a worthy cause will be the guerdon of all honest endeavor.

So far New York is the most favored location for several good reasons. Suggestions have been given for raising funds by benefits and fees. Something tangible in plans as to who shall promote the benefits and the formation or appointment of a committee to further the interests in a business way are now in order The actresses] are also urged to offer some advice along the line as it is for their benefit as well. Mr. Walker, the promoter of the idea, in an article in the Variety of a recent date says, "The first step toward an understanding among any people is a gathering of those who map out the way for others to follow In the minds of colored performers who are auxious to help and encourage people of their race, a place where colored professionals can meet and exchange thoughts is much needed." Let there be no delay in doing something that will help you in your chosen career.

Memphis, Tenn., January, 31, '06.

Mr. Elwood Knox,

Dear Sir.—Your letter of recent date received, and in reply will say that I heartily endorse Mr. Walker's article, and I think that steps should be taken towards its beginning, as it will eventually have to come. I don't know of any suggestions that I could offer, as I am not as well posted as some of the men who are at the head of the club.

Yours Very Truly,
R. R. CHURCH.

Augusta, Kans., January, 22, '06.

Elwood Knox, Esq.,

Dear Sir.—Yours of the 16th., referring to George W. Walker's article received and in reply will say that such meets with my infinite approval and support, providing it is conducted in a legitimate manner. I am of the opinion that such a club would fill a long felt want, and I do truly hope that I may live to see the day when it is successfully launched forth. I would suggest that the club give two immense benefit performances in all large cities, and with the receipts buy a piece of property within a ten cent ride of New York; board and sleep the profession very cheap and they can keep in touch with everybody in New York by telephone. Living in New York is too dear. I might say Orange, N. J.; plenty of cheap property there and a ten trip ticket only costs a dollar, and the benefit to the health is worth more than the fare to and from New York.

Very Truly Yours,
CLARENCE POWELL.

Georgia Minstrels.

New York City, January, 30, '06.

My Dear Friend Elwood.—I have been so dreadfully busy of late getting ready to uncover "Abysinnia" on February 19, and you have not been thanked for the splendid notices you gave me before publishing my article and for publishing it so fully. The boys here in New York with whom I have discussed the subject of a Theatrical Club seem to be deeply interested. Please let me know how many and who have written in answer to your letters of search. Please push the matter as much as you can and I am sure you will lose nothing by so doing.

I hope you are in the best of health and that all goes well with you, I am,

Very Sincerely Yours.
GEORGE W. WALKER.

New York, January, 25, '06.

Mr. Knox,

Dear. Sir.- I received your letter some days ago regarding the Actors and Actresses Club. I think it is a very good idea, if it can be properly carried out. That is, get it in shape financially, and to do this, it would be necessary to first have a general secretary, which position you are now holding, then have a secretary in every company to collect fees from all who wish to become members. Then send receipt for money collected to general secretary and the money to the treasurer, This treasurer should be an actor who is reliable and can give real estate bond. The vaudeville performers' fees could be collected by the general secretary. No one should become a member without first paying their fees, and after these fees are collected, you can then go into business. I hope the idea will be carried out as it is a good one and I will do all in my power to assist in making it a success.

Yours Respectfully,
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ALEXANDRIA, LA.

The entertainment given last month by the Alexandria Academy, Prof R M Davis, principal was a success Rev. H B N Brown made an address on 'Education." The prize clock was won J D McKoy—Mrs. Judith Williams an old resident of this city died February. 1. She was a member of Shiloh Baptist church and also a member of Live Oak Court of Calanthe, No. 15 Three children survive her.—Mount Triumph Baptist church Rev. George Jackson, pastor is making preparations for a rally to raise money to purchase seats.—The annual conference of the M E church, which met in New Orleans last month sent Rev. R C. Worsham to the Newman Memorial M E. church of this city and the former pastor was made superintendent of missions in New Orleans—Prof W. R. Wright, principal of Central Louisiana Academy has issued invitations to an entertainment to be held February 22 Proceeds to be used to defray the current expenses of the institution.

DANVILLE, ILL.

The Colored Woman's Aid Club was entertained by Mrs Belle and Hettie Jackson at their home Final arrangements were made for the reception and elegant supper was served. The following program will be given at the reception: Address. Mrs. Annie Robinson; recitation, Mrs Mable Stewart; solo, Mrs Belle Gates; instrumental solo Miss Mary Gipson; paper, Mrs. Ella Carter; vocal solo Mrs May Lee Boyd; violin solo, Miss Ada Gates—Walter Brown, who was injured in the mines is improving—Mrs Mary Vance is very ill at the home of her sister in Harrison avenue—Mrs Wilber Jones is able to be out again—Master Bertram Williams suffered from a severe fall from the church door but is able to deliver The Freeman—A L Scott is ill at his home in Lahr street Jesse Radford is suffering from a fractured knee—Miss Allie Williams, of Lincoln, Ill., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Gladys West.—Arthur Mitchell and wife, of Terre Haute are the guests of Mrs. William Parsons.—Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hoffman celebrated their sixth wedding anniversary February 2

COLUMBIA, TENN.

A school that reflects great credit upon its promoters is the Bible Training School which has been in successful operation for several months. It is under control of the Duck River Association and is maintained for Baptist ministers although ministers of other denomination are not prohibited from attending. Rev N. B Bronaugh is president and Rev. J. B. Sprattling is principal.—The Fisk Glee Club will appear at the opera house February 22. Mrs. Bettie McKay has returned from Chicago—Mrs. Martha Haskins has opened a grocery on Washington street The Calanthe Court will give a musicale February 26, at St Paul church Mrs Hannah Smith died last Wednesday at her home in the West End.—The Y M C. A. will place bulletin boards in several conspicious places in the city.—Allen's Day will be observed at St. Paul's A. M E church tomorrow. Dr. R F Boyd will lecture here February, 26

FT. MADISON, IA.

Jesse Blade. formerly of this city, died at Chicago recently of tuberculosis. His remains were brought here accompanied by his mother and step-father, Mr and Mrs T L Allen and a twin sister, Miss Virgie Blade Funeral services were held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs Blade, conducted by Rev J. C. Reid, assisted by Revs Chambers and McClelland The deceased was twenty years old and had many friends. Interment at Denmark.—Born to Mr and Mrs. Harper, a son.—Last Sunday the subject discussed at the Men's Sunday Club was, Resolved, That perseverance in moral ethics is more practical with matured Afro-Americans than the young—The grand master of the Odd Fellows visited the local lodges recently

ERIE PA.

The entertainment given by Mrs Charles Franklin assisted by the magician, Prof. Harry Thompson Thursday night of last week was quite a success. The Independent Whist Club was entertained by Miss Edith Copper, January 31.—William Franklin, have been away from his business on account of his eyes is rapidly improving.—William Rhodes is making a success with the Moon Cafe.—Patrolman Rufus Baxter is kept from home on account of a quarantine. His youngest boy has scarlet fever.

DALLAS, TEX,

Revivals at the different churches are progressing nicely.—James McHenry celebrated his twenty-ninth anniversary.—St Luke K. of P. Lodge raised $500, February 1 and paid on their hall.—Mrs R B Reese, of San Antonio is visiting relatives and friends.

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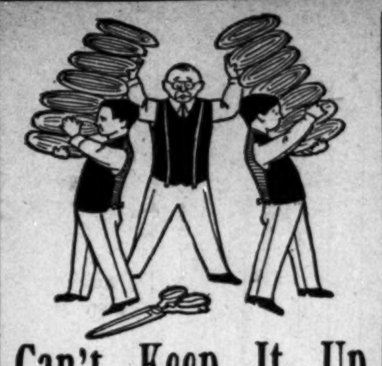

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